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Oil Spill Exercise Generator

If you're planning an oil spill exercise or response drill, the Exercise Generator can help you complete the task in a matter of hours. It also contains evaluation checklists for each of the elements listed in the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP).

While quantities last, we will provide free copies of
OILSPILL on CD-ROM. We cannot fill bulk orders, but you
may make copies of the CD we send you. Order online
at www.epa.gov/seahome/oilspill-order.html
Requires Windows 95 or later and 530MB on hard drive.

Excercise Development

- Develop an exercise for spills on land or inland waters based on one of the scenarios supplied in the database, or write your own scenario from scratch.
- Use the seasonal weather data for all US States and Territories, and Canada, or customize it.
- Select implementation messages which are delivered throughout the course of the exercise to move the activity along.
- Add appropriate references to customize the scenario and messages to a locality.

Evaluation Checklists

- Fill them out in the program, on a laptop.
- Transfer the text into a word processor to compile your evalluation report.
- Or print the evaluation checklists and fill them out on paper.

Audiences

- State and local agencies which conduct oil spill response exercises
- Businesses and industries which must develop emergency response plans
- Small communities

Note: This program provides the tools for an evaluator to use but does not replace the invaluable presence of a knowledgeable and independent evaluator. An evaluator is essential to see the complex interactions that drive decision-making, and to appreciate the choices made or not made by the players. Suggestions for improvement come from the evaluator's experience and not from this program. The final report is the compilation of the checklist and any other observations and suggestions that the evaluator may include.